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Sir:

REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICIAL ACTION

The Official Action of July 21, 2004 examines claims 144-153. However, these claims were canceled and new claims 154-162 were added in an Amendment filed concurrently with the RCE on May 5, 2004. For the examiner's convenience enclosed is a true and correct copy of the Amendment as filed on May 5, 2004.

Please examine claims 154-162, withdraw the current Official Action and send a further Official Action with a new response date or Notice of Allowance, as appropriate.

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